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VARSITY TAKES ANOTHER

Defeat Rochester in Slow Game—Featured by Don Root's Work in the Box and Callahan's Batting.

Hamilton defeated Rochester in the return game last Friday afternoon by a score of 8 to 4. It was a slow game, long drawn out, and marred by considerable wrangling between the Rochester players and the umpire. To be frank, the umpire did seem to have a bad day, although any particular partiality towards Hamilton was not evident to the bystanders. The Rochester battery took exception to many of the decisions on balls and strikes, and Kaiser was sent from the game because of his vehement verbiage.

Why there should be a lack of snap among the players on a day so ideal for playing is not easily understood, but such there was. Umpires in coming games will do well to instill a little activity into the players for a game of over two hours' duration is altogether too long.

The girls on for the three fraternity dances in the evening, seated in automobiles or distributed among the students on the bleachers, added an element of picturesqueness to the scene which is as refreshing as it is unusual.

It was a charming day and the cleanly earned victory brought a settled feeling of satisfaction to all. Hamilton played good ball. The team fielded well, although there were few difficult chances, and batted opportunely.

Don Root pitched his first home game, and did very well. His terrific speed and well-working drop so puzzled the Rochester batsmen that they could not bunch their few hits and nine fanned—some at critical moments. Root's pitching was really better than appears from the score, for four hits are credited against him which should have been fielded, and misplays were responsible, directly and indirectly, for all of Rochester's runs. But then, some misfortune must be expected. On the whole, Root was given excellent support.

Hallock had a bad day in the field: his failure to cover first when Woods fielded Edwards' sacrifice cost a run, but his slowness was reprehensible enough without considering its result. He also fielded a grounder so slowly that the batter reached first. The decision on this play was close and the umpire seemed at fault, but even so, there was absolutely no reason why the play should have been at all in doubt.

C. Root made one of his fine throws when he nearly caught Kaiser at third in the seventh. There is no breathless suspense when the ball goes towards left field; it is sure to be handled properly. However, Root might have caught Steve's long hit in the seventh had he not been counting too much on the pitcher's speed and played nearer center than is customary. But we all like to see a fielder try to figure out where the ball is apt to be hit even if he is sometimes mistaken, for it shows that he is playing the game properly. That Woods dropped an easy throw is remarkable, but he amply repaired this slip by a fine stop of Knox's low throw in the fifth.

Callahan's batting was the real feature of the game, even if he did allow D. Root to be put out by missing the ball on an attempted squeeze play. Callahan is not dropping so many pitched balls now and his throwing has greatly improved.

Hamilton scored a run in the fourth with two out on Woods' three-bagger and Schoen's error. Three more were tallied in the fifth; Hallock was hit by a pitched ball, went to third on D. Root's solid drive to center for two bases, and scored on Ogden's sacrifice fly. Callahan singled, Knox walked, and both scored on Allen's three-bagger. In the sixth, Woods hit, was advanced when Hallock walked, and scored on D. Root's sharp throw to center, Hallock and Root advancing a base each on the

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UNION WINS TRACK MEET

Adverse Weather Conditions Prevented Fast Time—Wenigmann and Eggleston, Varsity's Stars.

Under grey, threatening skies and on a sodden track, Union won the annual dual meet from Hamilton by a score of 67 to 50. In spite of the weather and the ground conditions, the performances were decidedly creditable and the work of the team as a whole fairly encouraging. The fine weather of the week previous to the meet had created a Hamilton team of fair weather performers, and the day, coupled with the lack of a straight away track and the use of stiff hurdles, played straight into Union's hands.

Wenigmann was the particular star of the meet, alone adding twenty-one points to the Hamilton end of the score. His work was fine. He took the 220 yard dash by a clear twenty yards — against a Union man. He also won the shot-put without extending himself, the low hurdles, and gathered second place in the hundred and the broad jump. Had he not tried to steal on the pistol in the hundred, he would have won easily—as it was, it seemed as though he were a trifle in the lead. Eggleston's work in the two-mile also deserves especial mention. He had been expected to get second place with a chance of winning out, but with an unexpected burst of speed, he sprinted the last two laps and won handily in 10:15.4, breaking the College record of 10:36.2. Dayton also ran a very pretty race in the mile and nosed out third place after a fine sprint.

In contrast, the work in the jumps and the pole vault was disappointing. Captain Colson, in the high jump, failed to show his real form and, in the pole vault, Donaldson, to the surprise of all, could not come within six inches of the height he has been clearing consistently this Spring. The 440 was our great upset. Had our

men in this event not disregarded the coach's instructions, we would have won the first two places, and possibly all.

In general the work of the team gives sound basis for hope if not for exultation. With good weather for Decoration Day, the team, under the spur of Hamilton rooting, ought to show up strongly. The Union meet, while unfortunately in the wrong column, is only a step.

The summary:

Two-mile run: Eggleston, H, first; Vedder, U, second; Travis, U, third. Time, 10 min. 15 2-5 sec.

Running high jump: Baker, U, first; Colson, H, and Dickinson, U, tied for second. Height, 5 ft. 3¼ in.

220-yd. hurdles: Wenigmann, H, first; Baker, U, second; Riley, U, third. Time, 27 3-5 sec.

16-lb. hammer throw: Jessup, H, first; Folensbee, U, second; Jasoloski, U, third. Distance, 102 ft. 2 in.

Half-mile run: La Barron, U, first; Gaige, H, second; Elmore, U, third. Time, 2 min. 6 2-5 sec.

Running broad jump: Baker, U, first; Wenigmann, H, second; Dewey, U, third. Distance, 21 feet 4½ in.

200-yd. dash: Wenigmann, H, first; Bentley, U, second; Robinson, H, third. Time 23 2-5 sec.

100-yd. dash: Bentley, U, first; Wenigmann, H, second; Colson, H, third. Time, 10 2-5 sec.

16-lb. shot: Wenigmann, H, first; Hull, U, second; Jasoloski, U, third. Distance, 34 ft. 10 in.

One-mile run: Rogers, U, first; La Barron, U, second; Dayton, H, third. Time, 4 min. 54 2-5 sec.

120-yd. hurdles: Colson, H, first; Baker, U, second; Peters, H, third. Time, 16 2-5 sec.

Pole vault: Marsh, U, first; Riley, U, second; Donaldson, H, and Jepson, U, tied for third. Distance, 10 ft. 8 in.

440-yd. dash: Daly, U, first; Roberts, H, second; Shaul, H, third. Time, 55 1-5 sec.

—The Senior Seminar in Writing English for 1911-12 will be composed of the following men: Ahlheim, Bedenkapp, Bates, Boone, Drummond, DuBois, Marsh, Plant, Thompson, and Warren.

—Alpha Phi of Chi Psi will entertain at a musical to be given by Miss Sherwin and Miss Vojacek, Thursday evening, June 8th.

N. Y. S. I. A. U. MEET TODAY.

The N. Y. S. I. A. U. Track Meet will be held on the Fair Grounds at Rome this afternoon. Colgate, Rochester, Union, St. Lawrence, and Hamilton will enter teams. Colgate is very strong as usual, and Union defeated Hamilton in the dual meet, so that it would be superfluously optimistic to prophecy a victory. Until recently, it had been expected that Vermont was to enter the meet, but an injury to Gutterson, their crack man, has prompted the withdrawal of that team. Had Gutterson competed, it is likely that he would have captured some of the points that will now go to our rivals, so that the meet will be less evenly contested than has been hoped and Hamilton will be at a greater disadvantage. We can not be sanguine of better than fourth place, but, with an even break, should obtain third.

Hamilton will enter but five or six men: Captain Colson, Wenigmann, Eggleston, Gaige, Donaldson, Jessup, and possibly Dayton. Hamilton's chief interest will center upon the work of Captain Colson, Wenigmann, and Eggleston. Wenigmann should win one, if not both, of the dashes, and will take points in the low hurdles, shot put and broad jump. Eggleston will have to run a very strong race to beat out Bezant of Colgate in the two mile, and we shall be pleasantly surprised if he succeeds. Colson will win the high hurdles and should take points in the low hurdles and 220-yd. dash.

Last year, Hamilton was more poorly represented by rooters than any of the colleges except St. Lawrence, notwithstanding the proximity of Rome. The fellows should strive not to be again outdone in attendance by the other colleges if only to support our own management, which is handling the meet.

WESTERN ALUMNI REUNION.

On Tuesday, May 23rd, the Western Alumni Association of Hamilton College held its twenty-fifth annual reunion and dinner at Hotel LaSalle in Chicago. The Association was not as well represented as had been hoped, but the meeting was very enthusiastic. The new Alumni Board was discussed and unofficially approved. Toastmaster Louis Boisot, '77, introduced the speakers, Rev. Manley F. Allbright, '03, Samuel D. Miller, '90, Myron T. Sherwood, '86, and Dr. W. P. Shepard, '92. The music was by Purdy, '06.

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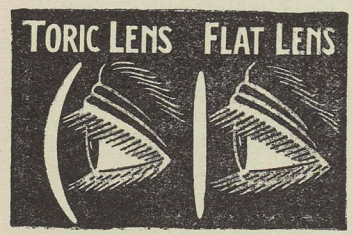

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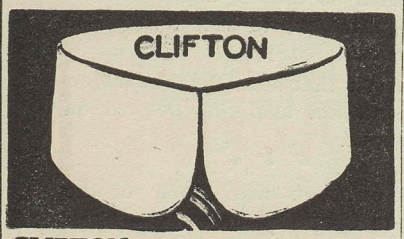

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EDITORIAL.

For the past month, Life has been printing letters from Alumni in response to the circulated copies of an editorial which appeared last term in this paper proposing a change in our Commencement program. From some seventy-five copies sent out, about twenty answers have been received, but one of which contained a disapproving sentiment. On two grounds did the writer think the proposed change inadvisable: it would violate tradition, and it would entail inconvenience to clergymen. The first of these objections has been commented upon editorially in the columns of Life, and the value of the second is minimized, if not entirely outweighed, by the number of favorable replies from clergymen and by the necessary consideration for a suitable arrangement of our Program for Alumni engaged in other occupations.

Henceforth, Life will print no more letters on this subject unless they are of especial appeal or suggest another phase of the problem. Life believes that a sufficient response has been secured from the circulars, which were mailed almost haphazardly, to substantiate its claim that the Alumni would appreciate the advantages of the proposed program. Remember that not all received these circulars who might write and that many who did receive one, and did not answer, still favor the change. At any rate, the large number of Alumni ubscribers are now aware of the scheme and a wholesome interest has been aroused which should bear fruit at Commencement.

What action will be taken in June? Will the Alumni take harmonious and aggressive steps toward procuring what so many of them evidently want? Will the Trustees admit the propriety of the Alumni in asking recognition for their needs and their opinions?

It will not be a large Commencement. The graduating class is small, and many of the class reunions have been postponed to Centennial Year, but it is imperative that enough Alumni get back to take advanatge of the splendid opportunity to keep hammering for a betterment of conditions here—the Commencement Program is but one of many alleged faults.

The College has taken progressive steps since last June. The introduction of the semester system, the favorable action of the Trustees in regard to the Alumni Council as was made evident in the corrected minutes of the Board published in Life recently, and the growing knowledge of, and interest of the Alumni, in conditions of the College, promise new things for Hamilton. However much we may expect from unadvised action of the Trustees and Faculty, the most pleasurable sign of progress in the last year has been this awakening general interest of the Alumni. They have not known what was going on here, but now that they do know, they want to know why.

The proper way for the Alumni to impress their views most emphatically is through the Alumni Council. Let this be well organized this June, so that the Commencement of 1912 will see Trustees, Faculty, and Alumni working together harmoniously, intelligently, and with united purposes for a better Hamilton. Let all these suggestions for improving the College be shoveled onto the screen of general and open discussion, let us get rid of this secretiveness. There must be some ideas that are good and may be immediately acted upon without overthrowing the general policy of the College. Which statement raises the question, "What is the policy of this College, and does it perform its task?" But of that—anon.

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A very objectionable feature of the Rochester game, one that marred our victory, was the manner in which the students on the bleachers voiced their enthusiasm. Organized cheering is permissible, even though its beneficence in baseball is questionable, but that species of hideous noises indulged in by some of the students last Friday is inexcusable and should not hereafter be tolerated. But you say that it helped to win the game! In so far as such outlandish cries discompose the pitcher when in a critical position, they may very well diminish his efficiency. But, even so, it reflects no credit upon any college to win games by such means. The treatment accorded the substituted Rochester pitcher in the seventh inning was discourteous in the exrteme. And Upperclassmen were the most culpable.

Hamilton has long had the reputation of supporting athletic teams in a way that is the aim and envy of every other college with which it competes. But this fame has been gained by cheering our own players, not by jeering at and attempting to confuse opponents—school-boy tricks. If demonstrations similar to that of last Friday occur often, how long will it be before we are stigmatized as being entirely unfair in our treatment of visiting teams? And a reputation such as that is not at all enviable. "Any way to win" has ceased to be considered proper tactics.

Life urges that such thoughtless behavior will not again be noticed on this Campus.

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Hamilton men are proud of the singing in Chapel, none more so than Dr. Stryker. Furthermore, the College is always glad to respond to the presence of visitors with an extra effort to swell the volume of sound. But with all their accomplish-

ments, the students are not all perfect readers of music, and, accordingly, need a somewhat familiar hymn in order to be able to extend themselves.

Why, on Sunday of all days, when there is usually a sprinkling of visitors in the gallery, such unfamiliar hymns are persistently selected is incomprehensible. When the choir finds difficulty in singing all but the last verse, what are the unsophisticated students to do?

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Thursday evening three members of the Varsity track team, returning from Schenectady, were nearing South. They were talking of the meet when a voice called out from above:

"How'd you come out down at Union?"

"Hamilton 50, Union 67."

"Good! That's great! Good work, fellows!"

All of which serves to verify the oft-repeated assertion that the College has reached that point of cynical pessimism at which it assigns victory to the realms of the imagination and is supremely contented with honorable defeat.

Life does not advocate, nor itself cultivate, a rosy-hued but brainless, optimism. The pervasion of such a sentiment through the College would be neither desirable nor healthy. For the rest, there should be no necessity of approaching the other extreme—of giving vent to a self complacency which finds satisfaction in the thought that once more "we weren't beaten so very badly."

BASEBALL SCHEDULE.

May 3, at Clinton, St. Lawrence 1, Hamilton 8.

May 4, at Clinton, Hobart 7, Hamilton 24.

May 12, at Clinton, Union 11, Hamilton 1.

May 15, at Syracuse, Syracuse 18, Hamilton 6.

May 16, at Rochester, Rochester 2, Hamilton 1.

May 17, at Geneva, Hobart 3, Hamilton 11.

May 26, at Clinton, Rochester 4, Hamilton 8.

May 30, at Schenectady, Union.

June 5, at Hamilton, Colgate.

June 10, at Clinton, Colgate.

Hamilton College 59, opponents 46.

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throw to the plate to catch Woods. Ogden struck out, but Callahan scored the two runners with a timely hit over short.

Hamilton added one more in the seventh on Allen's walk and a wild throw of I. Schoen.

Rochester scored two in the sixth. Clancy singled over second and was advanced by Edwards' sacrifice. Since Hallock was slow in covering first, Edwards too, was safe. Both runners moved up a base on Callahan's passed ball although it was a very close play at third on Kaiser; Dunn scored both by a hit through short. In the seventh, Kaiser reached first on a fly to short center, which Ogden would have caught easily had he not slipped. Kaiser went to third on Steve's two-bagger and scored on a long fly to Sidle. Rochester's last run came in the eighth. Brown reached first on Woods' muff of Hallock's throw and scored on a wild pitch.

The score:

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Ogden, c.f.,	4	0	0	1	1	0
Callahan, c.,	5	1	3	10	4	0
Knox, s.s.,	2	1	0	1	1	1
Allen, 3b.,	3	1	1	1	2	0
C. Root, l.f.,	3	0	0	0	0	0
Woods, 1b.,	4	2	2	9	0	1
Sidle, r.f.,	4	0	0	1	0	0
Hallock, 2b.,	2	2	0	2	1	0
D. Root, p.,	4	1	2	2	3	1
Totals,	31	8	8	27	12	3

ROCHESTER.	A.B.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E
Clancy, c.f.,l.f.,	4	1	1	2	0	0
Edwards, 3b.,	4	1	2	2	2	0
Dunn, lf., cf.,p.,	3	0	1	0	0	0
Brown, c.,	3	1	0	11	3	0
J. Schoen, 2b.,	4	0	0	3	0	1
Kaiser, s.s.,	2	1	1	0	1	0
Markham, s.s.,	1	0	0	0	0	0
Steve, 1b.,	4	0	1	3	0	1
Stebins, r.f.,	4	0	1	1	0	0
A. Schoen, p.,	1	0	0	0	0	1
Harding, c.f.,	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals,	31	4	7	*22	6	3

*Allen and Woods out on infield flies.

Hamilton,	0	0	0	1	3	3	1	0	x
Rochester,	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0

Two-base hits, Steve, D. Root; three-base hits, Allen, Woods; sacrifice hit, Brown; double plays, D. Root to Woods, Ogden to Knox; first base on balls, Root 3, A. Schoen 3, Dunn 2; hit by pitched ball, Hallock; struck out, Root 9, A. Shoen 8, Dunn 3; wild pitch, D. Root. Umpire, Barber.

FRATERNITY DANCES.

The Beta of Sigma Phi entertained at supper at Sigma Phi Place and in the evening. **The patronesses** were: Mrs. Stryker, Mrs. A. P. Saunders and Mrs. Rogers of Clinton, Mrs. Ogden, Mrs. Smyth and Mrs. Soper of Utica, Mrs. Sidle of Paulding, O., and Mrs. Judson of Vernon. The other guests were: Miss Burrell and Miss Decker of Brooklyn, Miss Patten and Miss Winant of Utica, Miss Judson of Vernon, Miss Clark of Washington, D. C., Miss Stryker of College Hill, Miss Robinson of Hornell, Miss Wendie and Mr. and Mrs. Park of Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. Hart of Utica, Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Root, Jr., of Clinton, Weaver, '91, Sherman, '04, Sherman, '05, Sicard, '06, Sherman, '06, Cody, '08, Soper, '08, Knox, '10. Music by Bergner. Caterer Mertz.

The guests of the E. L. S. were: Mrs. Fitch, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Barrows of Clinton, patronesses; the Misses Davies, Gould, Beattie, and Brockway of Syracuse, the Misses Rittersdorf, Williams and Nelson of Utica, Miss Bloss of Rome, the Misses Darrow and Griswold of Rochester, Miss Bamer of Albany, the Misses Watkin, Baigrie and Batchelor of Camden, Miss Colson of New York Mills, and Miss Ingersoll of Ilion.

The following were the guests at the informal reception and dance given by the Hamilton Chapter of Delta Upsilon: as patronesses, Mrs. Latcher of Utica, Mrs. Rodger of Brooklyn, and Mrs. Shepard of Clinton; the Misses Clark, Harvey, Couche, Eggleston, Latcher, Morgan, Thomas, Grimm, Gurrey, and Shaw of Utica, the Misses Gurbe, Eddy, and Wells of Syracuse, and Miss Pfister of Vernon. Bergner of Utica furnished the music, and Williams of Clinton served.

—Dr. Davenport has posted the following men as eligible for his Senior Seminar in Political Science: Ahlheim, Alvord, Bagg, Baird, Bates, Bedenkapp, Dorrance, DuBois, Drummond, Grant, Higley, Parker, Patteson, Plant, Peck, and Regin.

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HILL NOTES.

—The following Alumni were on the Hill last week: Griffith, '86, Rogers, '86, Weaver, '91, Root, '03, Sherman, '04, Bastian, '04, Sherman, '05, Sicard, '06, Sherman, '06, Ferris, '06, Stryker, '06, Mann, '06, Soper, '08, Cody, '08, and Knox, '10.

—The Sophomore Baseball Team plays the Herkimer Independents today. "Dutch" Fear and "Don" Stone will be the battery.

—Mr. Theodore F. Collier, '94, and Mr. Sumner Salter, the Musical Director of Williams College, have given the College a new song which bids fair to rival their former song, "Fight On, Fight On." Those who have heard the music have pronounced it very catchy and excellent for use as a general student song. Copies of the words and music will appear in Life some time this Spring, probably in the Commencement number, if one is published.

PRIZE STAGE.

The prize speakers for 1911 will be:

Juniors (1912)—Glenn R. Bedenkapp, of Lewiston; William L. Clark, of Caldwell, N. J.; Hugh F. McF. Boone, of Lima, O.; Earle L. Regin, of Clinton.

Sophomores (1913)—Dan C. Batchelor, of Camden; Abel E. Blackmar, Jr., of Brooklyn; Sidney A. Davis, of Scranton; Frank R. Wassung, of Johnstown.

Freshmen (1914)—Lee H. Bristol, of Brooklyn; Owen G. Burns, of Clinton; Robert W. Rodger, of Richmond Hill; George H. Williamson, of Charleston, W. Va.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Entire season, including Southern trip:

	A.B.	H.1b.	P.C.
Allen,	48	15	.312
C. Root,	52	13	.250
Manion,	26	6	.210
Flagg,	12	1	.083
Knox,	49	10	.204
Bagg,	5	1	.200
Mitchell,	16	3	.136
Royce,	13	2	.154
Sidle,	49	7	.142
Hallock,	22	3	.136

Those who did not make the Southern trip:

	A.B.	H.1b.	P.C.
Woods,	32	11	.343
Callahan,	26	8	.307
D. Root,	16	4	.250
Ogden,	15	3	.200

Sunday, June 25, Baccalaureate Sermon.

Monday, 4 p. m., Prize Speaking, in the Chapel.

Tuesday, 4 p. m., Prize Debate, in the Chapel.

Tuesday, 8 p. m., Musical Clubs Concert, in Commons.

Wednesday, Alumni Day.

Thursday, 10 a. m., Commencement

Thursday, 12 m., Alumni Dinner, in Commons.

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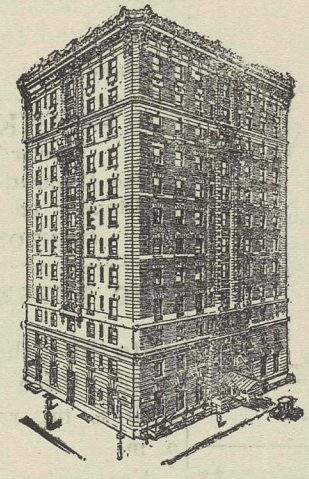

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